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Docket No.	FIS9-2003-0418-US1
Serial No.	10/766,549
Filing Date	01/27/2004
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Attached:Amendment Transmittal Letter & Amendment & Declaration

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In re application of: Zahi M. Kurzum, et al.	Date: February 14, 2006
Serial Number: 10/766,549	Examiner: Nghia M. Doan
Filed: 1/27/2004	Group Art Unit: 2825
Title: METHOD FOR LEGALIZING THE PLACEMENT OF CELLS IN AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT LAYOUT	IBM Corporation D/18G, B/321, Zip 482 2070 Route 52 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533-6531

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 14, 2005, the following
Amendment is being submitted to place the above-identified application in prima facie
condition for allowance.

Kindly amend the following claims and consider the following Remarks: